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ANTINOUS answered. Jewel of the  
earth ! Worthy you are, that heazenly  
Dance to lead! But for you think our  
Dancing base ofbirth, And newly born  
but of a brain-sick head, I will  
forthwith his antique gentry read /  
And (for I love him!) will his herald be! .  
And Uaz& his arms^ and draw his pedigree  
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. 28.

When LOVE had shaped this world, this great  
fair wight, (That all wights else, in this wide  
womb contains)^ And had instructed it to  
dance aright A thousand measures, with a  
thousand strains\* Which it should practise with  
delightful pains, Until that fatal instant should  
revolve, When all to nothing should again  
resolve;

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The comely Order and Proportion fair  
On every side, did please his wandering eye ;  
Till glancing through the thin transparent air,  
A rude disordered rout, he did espy,  
Of men and women, that most spitefully  
Did one another throng and crowd  
so sore. That his kind eye, in pity,  
wept therefore\*

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And swifter than the lightning down he  
came. Another shapeless chaos to  
digest. He will begin'another world to  
frame (For LOVE, till 'all be well, will  
never rest /)\* Then with such words as  
cannot be e%presst, He cuts the troops,  
that all asunder fling, And ere they  
wist, he casts them in a'ring\*